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July 8, 2002

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station, 2nd Floor Boston, MA 02110

> Re: Petition of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company, pursuant to General Laws Chapter 164, § 94, and 220 C.M.R. §§ 5.00 et seq. for a General Increase in Gas Rates, D.T.E. 02-24

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Pursuant to the Procedural Schedule established by the Department in the above-captioned proceeding, the Attorney General states that he intends to sponsor Lee Smith of LaCapra Associates as a witness in this matter. Ms. Smith will testify on the cost allocation and rate design of the Company's rate case petition. However, due to the fact that this matter is in the early stages of discovery, the Attorney General reserves his right to sponsor additional witnesses and/or rebuttal witnesses should the need arise. The Attorney General shall keep all parties informed of any changes on this position.

Very truly yours,

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